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	First Named Inventor	Paul F. Manley, Jr.	
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**For FY 2005**☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
Utility Filing Fee	790	395	
Design Filing Fee	350	175	
Plant Filing Fee	550	275	
Reissue Filing Fee	790	395	
Provisional Filing Fee	160	80	

Subtotal (1) \$ 0

**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20	18	9
Each independent claim over 3	88	44
Multiple dependent claims	300	150
For Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	18	9
For Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	88	44

Total Claims 22 - 20 or HP = 2 x 18 = 18  
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims - 3 or HP = 0 x 88 = 0  
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Multiple Dependent Claims Fee (\$)

Subtotal (2) \$ 18

**3. OTHER FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
1-month extension of time	110	55	
2-month extension of time	430	215	
3-month extension of time	980	490	
4-month extension of time	1,530	765	
5-month extension of time	2,080	1,040	
Information disclosure stmt. fee	180	180	
37 CFR 1.17(q) processing fee	50	50	
Non-English specification	130	130	
Notice of Appeal	340	170	
Filing a brief in support of appeal	340	170	
Request for oral hearing	300	150	
Other:			

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APPLICANT: Paul F. Manley	§	GROUP ART UNIT: 1761
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FILED: February 23, 2004	§	
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INVENTION: Method For Decorating A Fruit Surface	§	EXAMINER: Sarah Louise Kuhns
	§	
	§	
SERIAL No: 10/784,707	§	ATTY FILE: MANL.00001

**RESPONSE**

This paper is filed responsive to the Office action mailed on September 3, 2004.

**AMENDMENTS**

Please amend claims 2, 13 and 14 and add new claims 21 and 22 as shown below, and as indicated in another version of the amended claims, attached hereto as Exhibit A, showing additions and deletions from the original claims.

1. (Amended) A method for decorating fruit with a design, the method comprising the steps of:  
  
selecting a fruit;  
  
selecting a design to decorate the fruit;  
  
printing the design;  
  
coating the fruit with an edible, substantially water-intolerant coating; and  
  
attaching the design to the coated fruit.
2. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the design is printed on an edible sheet.

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